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11. (SBU) On August 4, Amb. Wolff delivered reftel demarche to Russian Deputy Perm Rep Igor Shcherbak regarding Russia's opposition to listing six new individuals in the 1518 (Iraq) Sanctions Committee.

12. (SBU) Shcherbak replied that there had been no change in Russia's position and that the issue remained with Moscow. While he claimed that Russia's current hold on adding new names was "technical," Shcherbak (protect) acknowledged privately that general feelings about 1518 and the individuals' links to Syria were possibly additional factors for Moscow.  
Wolff